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C O N F I D E N T I A L KAMPALA 2538

E.O. 11652: GDS

SUBJECT: PRES. AMIN VISITS CONGO

REF: STATE 158619 (NOTAL)

1. RADIO UGANDA ANNOUNCED AUG. 13 THAT EARLIER IN DAY PRES. AMIN DEPARTED FOR BRAZZAVILLE TO ATTEND CONGOLESE INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS. IN HIS ABSENCE THE NEW MINISTER OF INTERIOR, MATTHEW OBADO: IS SERVING AS ACTING PRESIDENT AND HEAD OF DEFENSE COUNCIL.

2. COMMENT: AS THERE FAIRLY SOUND EVIDENCE THAT AMIN DID NOT TRAVEL TO OTTAWA COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE BECAUSE HE GOT WIND THERE WAS COUP PLOT BREWING, IT NOTEWORTHY THAT TWO WEEKS LATER HE FEELS SECURE ENOUGH TO LEAVE COUNTRY, ALBEIT WITH NO ADVANCE PUBLICITY. IN PAST WEEK A HALF DOZEN MIDDLE-LEVEL OFFICERS HAVE BEEN DISMISSED FROM ARMY AND SOME OTHERS ARRESTED OR MADE TO DISAPPEAR, INCLUDING CAPT. ASWA ONNE, THE ERSTWHILE WARRANT OFFICER WHO CAME ON UGANDA RADIO JUST AFTER JANUARY 25, 1971 COUP TO READ 18-POINT ANNOUNCEMENT JUSTIFYING MILITARY TAKEOVER AND TO DELIVER STATEMENT THAT AMIN WOULD HEAD UP NEW GOVERNMENT.
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